



# Public Notice

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Attn: CEMVS-OD-F  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, MO 63103-2833

Public Notice No.

**P-2786**

Public Notice Date

March 15, 2011

Expiration Date

April 5, 2011

**Postmaster Please Post Conspicuously Until:**

Interested parties are hereby notified that proposed plans have been received for a Department of the Army permit to install two permanent work barges and to relocate a mooring dolphin within navigable waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attachments.

**COMMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers File Number shown above and must reach this office no later than the above expiration date of the Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
ATTN: CEMVS-OD-F (Charles Frerker)  
1222 Spruce Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

**APPLICANT:** Mr. John Roessler, ADM Grain, #1 East Grand, St. Louis, Missouri 63147, (314) 231-1815.

**LOCATION:** The activity site is located at ADM's existing grain loading terminal in St. Louis County, Missouri, along the right descending bank of the Mississippi River at approximate river mile 184 (See Attachments).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The applicant proposes to install two work barges along the bankline to facilitate grain loading and promote safer working conditions for employees. The first upstream work barge would be an approximate 20-foot-wide by 235-foot-long vessel installed between existing mooring cells 2 and 3. An existing 6-foot-diameter dolphin located between mooring cells 2 and 3 would be relocated just below mooring cell 6. The second downstream work barge would be an approximate 20-foot-wide by 60-foot-long vessel installed between mooring cells 4 and 6. This work barge would be held in place by two spuds. Both of the proposed work barges would have aluminum walkways installed from the existing load out cells to provide access and worker safety. The project purpose is to help control barge shifting between the existing cells during grain loading operations and to provide safe access to get on empty barges and exit from loaded barges.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Additional information may be obtained by contacting the applicant or Charles Frerker, Regulatory Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at electronic mail address: [charles.f.frerker@usace.army.mil](mailto:charles.f.frerker@usace.army.mil)

**AUTHORITY:** This permit will be processed under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Request for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding the public hearing.

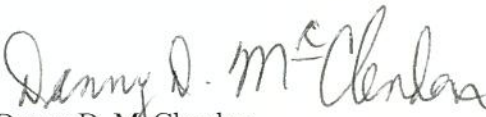
**ENDANGERED SPECIES:** The proposed project is within the range of the endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), Gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*), Pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*), and the Pink mucket (*Lampsilis abrupta*). A preliminary determination, in compliance with the Endangered Species Act as amended, has been made that this activity is not likely to affect the listed species. In order to further complete our evaluation, written comments are solicited by this public notice from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

**CULTURAL RESOURCES:** The St. Louis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct, or require a reconnaissance survey of the project area.

**EVALUATION:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit that may reasonably be expected to accrue from the described activity must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the described activity will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion, and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of these proposed activities. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

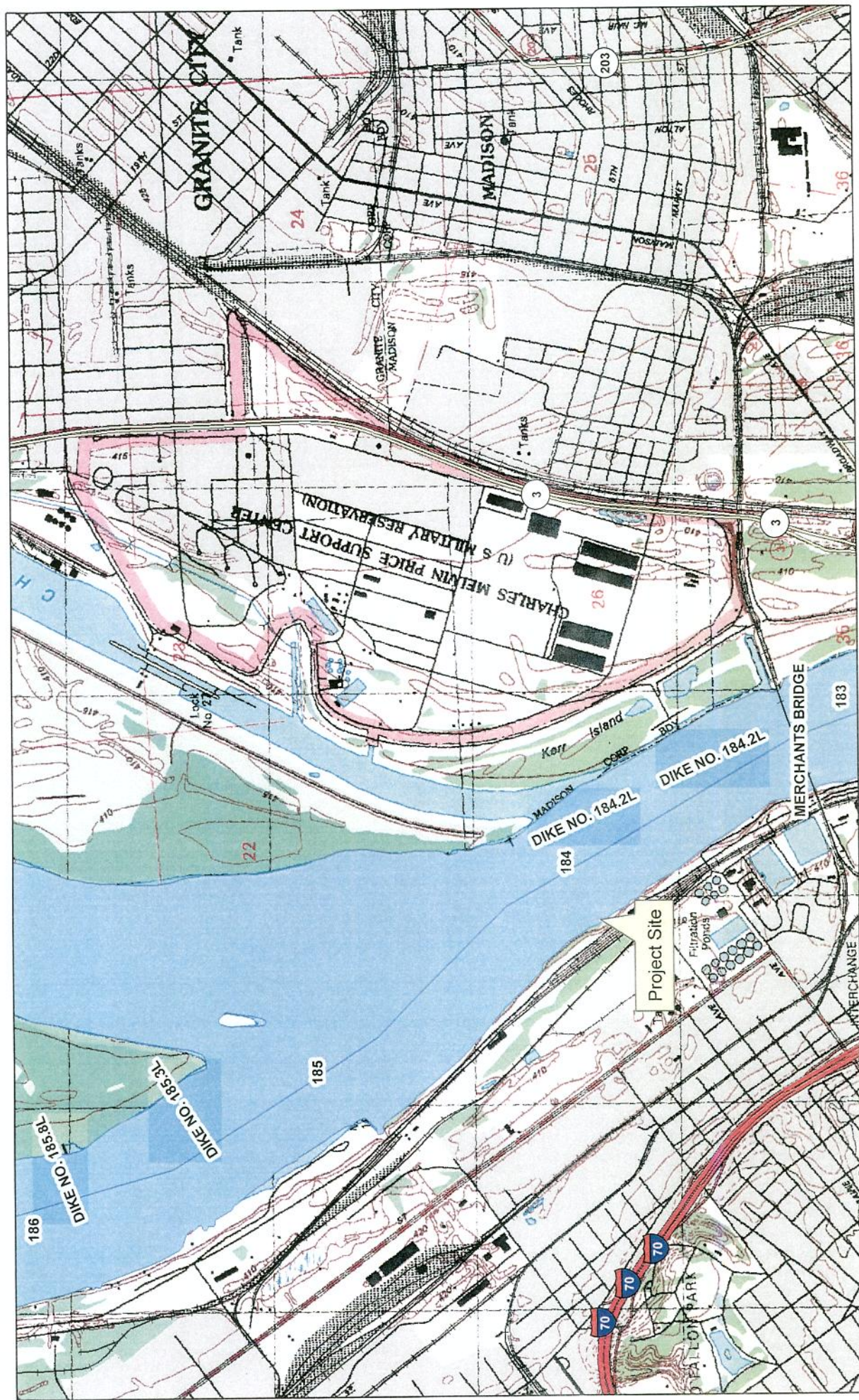
In accordance with 33 CFR 325.3, it is presumed that all interested parties and agencies will wish to respond to public notices; therefore, a lack of response will be interpreted as meaning that there is no objection to the proposed project.

  
Danny D. McClendon  
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Attachments

**NOTICE TO POSTMASTERS:**

It is requested that this notice be conspicuously and continually placed for 21 days from the date of this issuance of this notice.



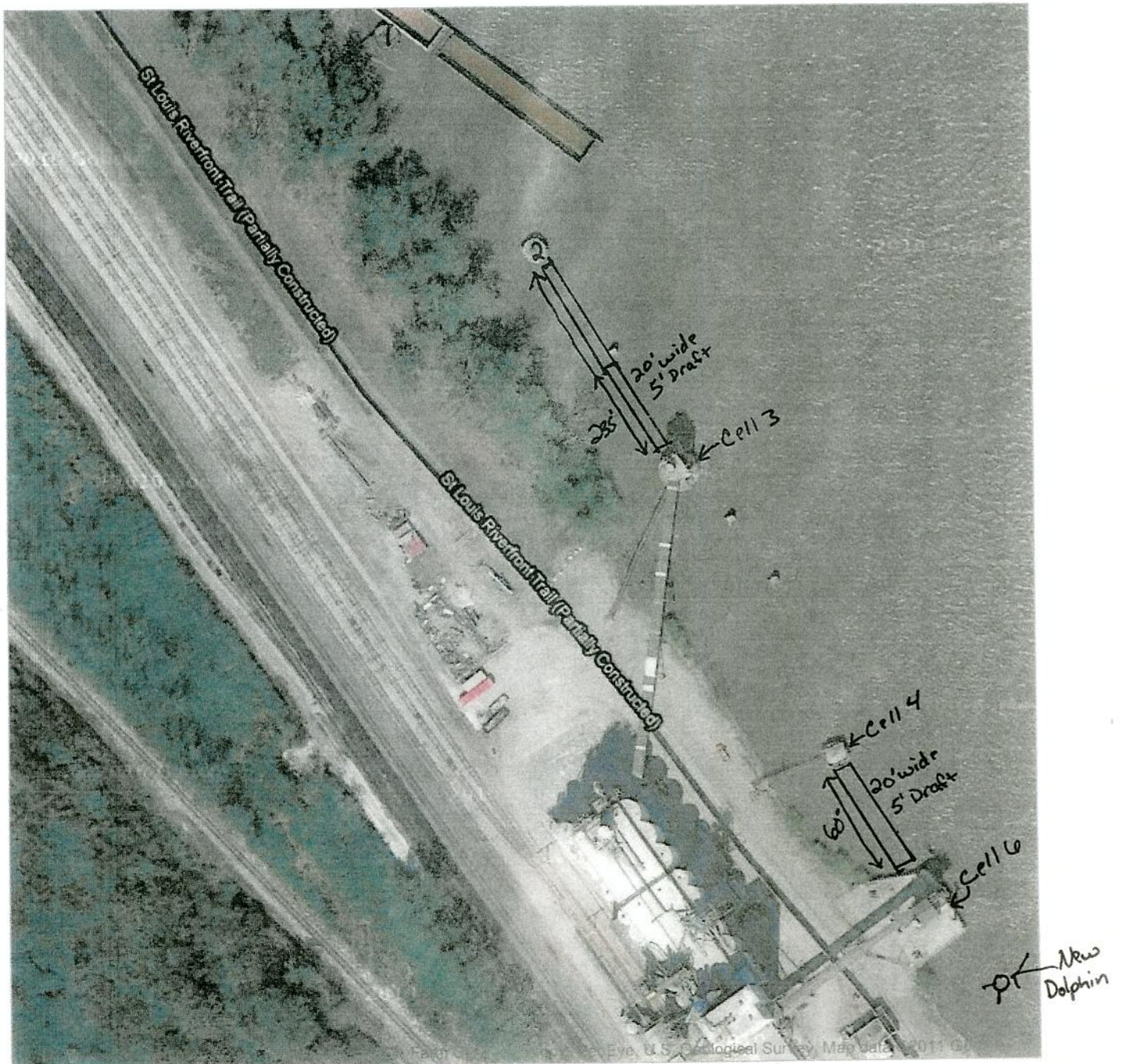
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